

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A boat bow access ladder comprising:  
means attached to a trailer for holding said ladder;  
said ladder having side rails and a plurality of  
5 steps, said side rails being inserted into said holding  
means secured to a trailer for providing access to a bow  
of a boat.

2. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim  
10 1 wherein a first one of said side rails curves a  
predetermined distance toward a second of said side rails  
and then proceeds parallel to said second of said side  
rails for insertion into said holding means.

3. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim  
15 1 wherein said holding means comprises a pair of  
receptacles secured on opposite sides of said holding  
means for receiving said side rails of said ladder.

4. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim  
20 3 wherein said holding means comprises cylindrical tubes.

5. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim  
25 1 wherein each of said steps comprise a slip resistant  
material adhered to an upper surface of said steps.

6. A boat bow access ladder comprising:

means attached to a trailer for receiving side rails of said ladder; and

said ladder having a plurality of rungs positioned between said side rails wherein an end portion of a first side rail curves toward a second side rail a predetermined distance until said first side rail and said second side rail are parallel and insertable into said receiving means.

7. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim 6 wherein said receiving means comprises receptacles secured on opposite sides of said receiving means.

8. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim 6 wherein said receptacles comprise cylindrical tubes.

9. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim 6 wherein said receiving means comprises an inverted U-shaped base having a receptacle attached to each side of said base.

10. The boat bow access ladder as recited in Claim 6 wherein each of said rungs comprise a slip resistant material adhered to an upper surface of said rungs.

11. A method of providing access to a bow of a boat when on a trailer comprising the steps of:

attaching a base on a trailer at a location near the  
bow of said boat; and

inserting side rails of a ladder into said base,  
said ladder having a plurality of rungs positioned  
between said side rails.

12. The method as recited in Claim 11 comprising  
the step of inserting side rails of a ladder into said  
base further comprises the step of a first one of said  
side rails curving a predetermined distance toward a  
second one of said side rails until said first one and  
said second one of said side rails are parallel and  
insertable into said base.

13. The method as recited in Claim 11 wherein said  
method comprises the step of providing receptacles on the  
side of said base for receiving said side rails.